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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.132

Sir:

1. I, Robert L. Long, am a co-inventor of the above-referenced application, as well as the reference WO 01/09203, cited by the USPTO as prior art as to the present application, as well as of U.S. Patent No. 7,116,414, the parent application of the present application.

2. I affirm that the subject matter of WO 01/09203 relied upon by the USPTO in rejecting the claims of the present application is my invention/work.

3. The effective filing date of U.S. Patent No. 7,116,414 is that of provisional application no. 60/345,337, filed November 9, 2001, which is less than one year from the

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publication date of WO 01/09203 (February 8, 2001). As such, it is my understanding that WO 01/09203 is unavailable as a reference as to the present application.

4. All of the statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

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